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KC MAN INDICTED FOR CRACK COCAINE, ILLEGAL FIREARM

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for possessing with intent to distribute crack cocaine and an illegal firearm.

Raul Madraso, 49, a citizen of Cuba residing in Kansas City, was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Madraso** was in possession with the intent to distribute more than 50 grams of crack cocaine from Jan. 6 to 11, 2006.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Madraso**, having been previously convicted of a felony, was in possession of a .38-caliber revolver of unknown make and serial number on Jan. 11, 2006, in Jackson County. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Amy B. Marcus. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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